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Market Analysis...

Broadmead's Strengths and Deficiencies Identified

Trustees Approve \$6.2 Million Supplemental Budget to Cover Unfunded Needs

By Frank Iber, Residents Association Representative to the Board of Trustees

In response to a lengthy Market Analysis of the internal and external factors impacting our community, Broadmead's trustees have approved a \$6,170,000 supplemental capital budget to cover identified unfunded needs covering almost all aspects of our campus.

The money is to be raised via a short term loan from PNC bank and a long-term bond issue. All projects are expected to start within the next 12 months.

The Market Analysis, prepared by Love and Company, covered our plant as well as our pricing, and made comparisons with our main competition, Blakehurst, Mercy Ridge, Edenwald and Roland Park Place.

The report emphasized the current status as well as what to expect over the next five to 10 years.

Our strengths were found to be our attractive campus and its location, the extensive life-care contract, the wide mix of amenities, a strong reputation and financial stability.

On the deficiency side our village or cluster concept, though attractive to younger persons, is not so attractive to the 80-year-olds moving in. The long exposed distances from the Community Center are a recruitment deterrent, the report says.

The mean age of those moving into Broadmead is 78.7 years.

The \$6,170,000 will be used to redo the two entrances and redecorate Hallowell (\$465,000); renovate Wellness and purchase new Wellness equipment (\$165,000); re-roof the walkways and totally rehab 20 unoccupied units (\$2,595,000); screen the unsightly roof units of the center, add security cameras and add shower conversion and washer-dryers to independent living units (\$495,000).

In addition, plans call for adding WiFi to the clusters, updating call and fire systems and other information technology (\$2,200,000). Also included are a stop light and clearing debris from Western Run to diminish flooding. The supplemental budget was submitted to the Trustees by CEO John Howl and Trustees Finance Committee Chair Fred Thomas.

Demography studies in the report predict a steady increase in the 65-84 age group for the next 15 years in the region from which we recruit. Our target population in this age group, with an income greater than \$50,000, will grow about three percent a year. The report says the area housing market has already recovered and that houses are now selling at an appropriate price.

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Finches gone. Alternative proposedSee page 15

The fat cardinal at the top of this page weathered the snow to pose for photographer Erroll Hay outside his D-3 apartment.

The 2013-2014 Gingerbread House



Prior to its traditional New Year's Eve smashing by Harry Butcher and its being gobbled up by Broadmead revelers, this season's house was made for our enjoyment by Harry's daughter Catherine Rommel and sat on the reception desk behind a "no nibbling" sign.

Photo by Erroll Hay

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We must have all submissions by the 12th of the prior month. As we want articles not to run to more than one page, copy should not exceed 400 words in length. All copy is subject to editing and cutting. All submissions should be typed and, if possible, sent by email attachment to voice@broadmeadra.org, with a hard copy in THE VOICE box opposite the copy machine in the BRA office.

Excursion to Churches Concludes Adventures In Learning Series

By Elborg Forster

A bus trip to four city churches culminated a three-lecture series here on "Baltimore's Historic Houses of Worship". Presented by Lois Zanow and Sally Johnson, two Baltimore historians who have published a book on the subject entitled *Monuments to Heaven*, the series was sponsored by the Adventures in Learning committee.

The lectures identified the architects of these buildings and showed pictures of imposing exteriors plus intriguing interior details. The excursion was limited to four buildings: First and Franklin Street Presbyterian, the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Assumption of the Virgin Mary, Corpus Christi-Jenkins Memorial Church and Brown Memorial Presbyterian Church, Bolton Hill.

Without prejudice to the two other buildings, those that stand out in this visitor's memory are the Basilica and Brown Memorial. In the former we had a guide who described the efforts of John Carroll, the first Catholic bishop of the young United States, to build a basilica worthy of this important bishop's see, his creative efforts to raise the necessary funds, and his collaboration with the prestigious architect Benjamin Latrobe. Together they designed a classic, bright, warm, and expansive edifice, which over time became darker and more crowded, until it was restored to its original plans in 2006.

At Brown Memorial, where one is dazzled by the soaring blue ceiling with gilded ribs, the organist, John Walker, talked to us not only about the church's famous Skinner Organ with its 3000 pipes but also about the 11 Tiffany windows. Two of these are the largest ever made by the Tiffany Company, and all of them contribute to the making of a magnificent sacred space.

To go from the sublime to the mundane, the group also shared a nice lunch at George's - that's President Washington to you - in the Peabody Court Hotel in Mount Vernon Square.



The Chamber Chorus of the Baltimore Choral Arts Society returned to Broadmead again this year to present its annual seasonal concert, under the direction of Music Director Tom Hall. The Christmas Celebration included traditional classics, carol sing-alongs and resident Elborg Forster reading religious poetry. The concert is made possible by the Broadmead Residents Association and Dr. Anne E. Culbertson, in memory of her mother, the late Marty Culbertson, a long time resident.

Photo by Erroll Hay

Grandchildren's Art Displayed

By Nancy Boyce

Art work of Broadmead grandchildren and great grandchildren was collected by Bobbie Siebens and displayed in the East Hall during December. Exhibited were snow scenes, Christmas trees, reindeer, a blue jay, a train engine and more, in tempera, water color, ink, crayon, magic marker and crumpled tissue.

Exhibitors were: Chase Frysieck, four, (Carolyn and Rhett Murphy); Josh Smith in grade six, and Ben Smith in Grade 7, (Sita Smith); Jack Darrell, 14 (Libby Murphy); Malina Goebel, 10, (Bobbie Siebens); Robert, Kellett, six, Eliza Kellett, nine, and Elijah, Fetter 10 (Susie and Bob Fetter); Vada Gwyn, five, and Lilly Kate Gwyn, seven, (Bea Post); Juliana Anderson, nine, (Mary Lee Anderson).

First Monday Book Group

Auditorium, 10:30 a.m.

January 6 *Year of the Flood*
by Margaret Atwood

February 3 *Trapeze*
by Simon Mauer

Books in BRA Office, behind the door.

Residents Distribute \$41,289 to Employees from EAF Drive

According to a final tally from Hyko Laeyendecker Broadmead residents contributed \$40,589 to the year-end holiday Employees Appreciation Fund (EAF) drive. Another \$100 came in from an outside donor and \$600 was leftover from the spring EAF drive for an overall total of \$41,289.

Of Broadmead's 342 residents, 252 or 74 per cent contributed. There were two donations of \$1,000. The minimum contribution was \$25. The average contribution was \$164.

Of the 233 checks written to hourly staff, 69 were for the maximum amount of just over \$208. Check amounts are determined by the number of hours worked. All but about 30 exempt (salaried) employees received holiday checks.

The Residents Association, which runs the fund drive, paid Broadmead Inc. \$5,803 to cover its Medicare and Social Security deductions. There is a carryover of \$358 for the spring drive.

Because tipping is not allowed at Broadmead, the Residents Association says "thank you" to employees by conducting the two annual drives. Laeyenecker has chaired the drives for the past several years.

Strengths and Deficiencies

from Page One

Current Continuing Care Retirement Community candidates are emphasizing confidence in the permanence of the corporation and choices reflecting individuality and value. The most sought-after accommodation for couples has two bedrooms and a den (1300-1800 square feet). Singles are moving into one bedroom units (at least 1200 square feet). The average Broadmead apartment is a smaller 837 square feet, which does not include the glass enclosed patios, which are currently available in about 40 per cent of our apartments. The entire region is failing to market studio-sized apartments of which Broadmead has too many, most unoccupied. In addition to larger units, "move in ready" is desirable and is more popular than units requiring further work before being ready for occupancy.

According to the report, the various attributes that highly influence 80 percent or more current buyers are appearance of the buildings, the ease of reaching sites and stores, reputation in the community, dining services and medical facilities. Compared to our competition Broadmead was rated high only on location and reputation.

In considering our marketing area, the majority of our independent-living residents come from locations within five miles. Comprehensive care and dementia patients usually are within three miles when coming directly from outside. The report finds that Broadmead's size is about right.

But our occupancy rate is some 10 per cent lower than the composite of the competition. In assisted living we are about 5 percent higher in occupancy than our competition but in comprehensive care we are 9 per cent lower. We do not yet have a much needed separate area for dementia care.

The report concluded that the market in our region is about saturated for independent living and assisted living, with too many beds for comprehensive care, but is very deficient in dementia care which seems to be the fastest growing need. The study recommended new construction to house 20-25 dementia patients or possibly even more.

The report found that our massively bundled services approach increases our fees well beyond those of our competition. Broadmead is the second most expensive in the group.

The report found that we have an overabundance of small residence floor plans, that our residential designs are tired, our common areas and amenities do not have good eye appeal, that the wellness and fitness facilities are small and outdated, that our long-term care facilities look too institutional, that our technology for safety is deficient and our main entrances are uninviting.

Our competitive position is strong on location, a park-like campus, reputation and stable financing, but is inferior in eye appeal. In simple language we are a poor value in our market and we need to address both product and cost, the report says.

Recommendations to improve our marketing position were, in the very short term, to reduce our monthly fees 10-15 per cent, have more apartments "move-in ready," and to combine efficiency units with adjacent apartments to increase apartment size. Longer term recommendations include redecorating many apartments to a more open design with better lighting and the construction of a new centralized apartment building attached to the Community Center.

It is recommended that our contracts be "unbundled" to permit entrants to select the items they wish to pay for now, and if they choose, delay payment on others until the need arises.

BRA Health Care Committee Lecture

Tuesday, January 21
10:30 a.m. Auditorium

**You Need Help:
Convincing a Loved One
to Get Counseling**

Mark Komrad, M.D. DFAPA
Psychiatrist
Johns Hopkins/Sheppard Pratt

Klezmer Band Delights Residents at Festival of Lights

Story and photos by Sally Bloomer

T'was the sixth day of Hanukkah when the Charm City Klezmer Band once again celebrated the season at Broadmead's annual Festival of Lights. This year's event was dedicated to the memories of Harry Blumenthal and Bobbie Wolf.

Greeting the audience, Harriet Ambrose observed the unusual occurrence this year of having both Thanksgiving and the beginning of Hanukkah on the same day.

Jonas Rappeport explained the significance of the celebration, commemorating the victory of Judas the Hammer and the Maccabees. When they entered the temple with a small jar of oil, it miraculously lasted eight days.

Sheila Meyers and Virginia Schurman said prayers. The sixth candle of the chanulkeyya (menorah) was lit by Eleanor Mayblum and Harriet Ambrose.

The Klezmer Band inspired many residents to dance to the lively music. Judith Geller, vocalist and piano player, led the dancing. Her young daughter Rebekah was outstanding on the violin as was Seth Kibel on the flute, saxophone and clarinet.



Residents brought home-made menorahs and cards to decorate the welcoming table for the annual festival in the auditorium and lounge.



Enjoying a traditional dance were, from left, Ruth Fleishman, Eleanor Mayblum Beverly Mondloch , Bob Daly, Jody Tromble and Carol McCord.



Charm City Klezmer Band



Sibylle Ehrlich and Eli Freedman

BROADMEAD WELCOMES

By Nancy Allchin

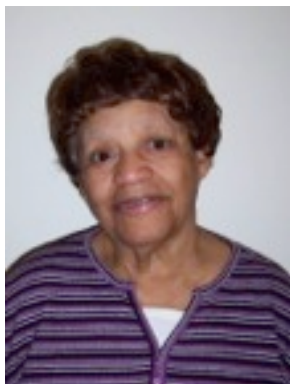
Photos by Natalie Bellows

William and Doris T. Bunkley

L-1; 443-578-8404; October 2013

Bill and Doris Bunkley have been missionaries to African countries since their retirement 13 years ago.

Under the sponsorship of their Vienna (OH) Presbyterian Church, Doris joined a team of her church women who went to Ghana, teaching, lending support and distributing supplies to the people who lived there. Her 15-year teaching career prepared her well for this role.



Brought up in Youngstown, she went to Central State

College, then later received an M.A. degree in Higher Education from the Teachers' College of Columbia University. She is qualified to teach all school grades and some college courses.

She was the first black elementary school teacher in the Warren, OH, school system, and has experienced workplace prejudice throughout her career.

Bill's missionary work on behalf of Kiwanis took him to Nigeria where he distributed books to the churches.

He too was brought up in the Youngstown area. He graduated from Youngstown College in 1954 with a degree in Civil Engineering. Later he went on to Ohio State University where he received a Master's Degree in Engineering and Public Administration. He worked for the State of Ohio Department of



Highways and became the District Deputy of the Department, involved in planning and programs for interstate highways.

The Bunkleys have two sons and five grandchildren. One son lives in Hawaii with his family. The other son is here in Baltimore and has three boys, a good reason for the Bunkleys' coming to this area. They remain true Ohioans, however. The whole family are enthusiastic supporters of Ohio State football.

Bill and Doris are dedicated members of their church where both have served as Elders. They are bridge players. Doris is interested in flower arranging. Bill has played golf as well as tennis.

Alaine (Perry) Dasheiff (Mrs Stanley)

M-13; 443-578-8403; October 2013

Alaine was born in Baltimore, worked in Baltimore, crisscrossed the country from Maine to California by car, and lived in a condo in Florida for 15 years.

But she has returned to settle down in our area, thanks to her friendship with resident Ruth Fleishman. She went to Forest Park High School and

married Stanley (now deceased) right after graduating. Their marriage lasted for 60 years. Alaine worked as a supervisor at Social Security for 25 years.

An easel, a jar of brushes and 30 tubes of oil paint fill her spare room. She loves to spend time painting. Her apartment walls are decked with her own works of art, many of boating scenes. She and her husband had many happy times going up and down the Chesapeake Bay in their power boat.

She has a son, now in Texas, and a daughter here. There are six grandchildren and three "greats."

Alaine plays Mah Jongg with anyone willing to join her. She plays Scrabble with herself.

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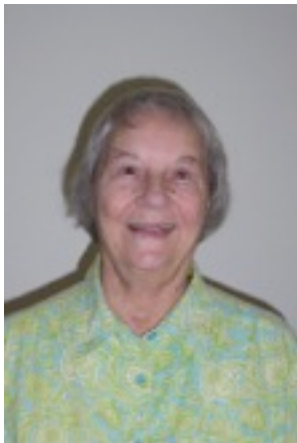
**Helen (Duker) Hubbard (Mrs. George)
J-6; 443-578-8393; August 3013**

Helen is a nature lover so Broadmead's campus with woods, walking trails and spacious grounds hold a special appeal.

As the youngest of six children she has been left with many of her mother's family history papers and belongings and expects to spend her first few months here sorting through them.

Helen, a Baltimorean, went to Calvert School and the Bryn Mawr School, and graduated from Radcliffe with a degree in Anthropology. Among her lecturers was the famous Margaret Mead.

She worked for several years doing research at Yale and met her future husband George, who was studying at Yale Law School. The couple raised two sons and a daughter and have three grandchildren, one in Baltimore and two in Wilmington, Delaware. Helen has traveled widely and has been



to such unusual places as Tibet, Vietnam, Machu Picchu in Peru, and Patagonia.

She has been camping in Kenya, visited the Galapagos on a sailboat, and gone swimming in the Amazon River in Brazil.

More recently she has been spending six months in Florida, not sunning on the beaches, but taking canoe trips with her sister or with a small group on Florida's rivers, where she has been able to see Florida's birds, alligators and other wildlife first-hand.

Bird and Nature Group

Friday, January 24 - 1:30 p.m.
(Movie on Migration)
Fireplace Room

Our Newest Newly Weds



Ginny Hoefner and Mike Bielefeld of Broadmead were married on November 29, 2013, at Ginny's home in Towson. Ginny, who is a Towson native, has moved into Broadmead with Mike, and they reside in P-10.

They chose the day after Thanksgiving for their marriage so that both families (Mike has one child and Ginny two) could be there. Ginny's mother was also present and had celebrated her 90th birthday on Thanksgiving day.

Broadmead congratulates them both and extends a warm welcome to Ginny as she joins the Broadmead family.

In Memoriam

Frances Hale

July 13, 1928

December 4, 2013

Ruth Schnering

March 10, 1917

December 7, 2013

Carolyn Donkervoet

June 18, 1928

December 15, 2013

Ted Wilson

October 15, 1922

December 16, 2013

Tim Baker

July 4, 1925

December 17, 2013

Wear Name Tags

January 1, 2 and 3

BROADMEAD BRIEFS...

WANTED – A volunteer or volunteers are needed to put together Saturday night programs once or twice a month, due to the resignation of long time arranger **Sue Schlenger**. BRA President **Susie Fetter** says "we have lots of ideas. We just need someone to make the arrangements." Anyone willing to help should call Susie at 443-578-8228. Meanwhile the BRA movie teams are filling the void. See page 19.

Residents Association President **Susie Fetter** has announced that **Jim Crowder** and **Ruth Fleishman** have been appointed to the Nominating Committee which will be contacting prospective officers for the 2014-2015 Executive Committee. Surprised by the announcement at a recent BRA meeting was **Lee Fleishman**, who apparently was unaware of his wife's new job.

Lee Fleishman is, however, also stepping up January 1 to take an important Residents Association job, replacing **Frank Iber** as chair of the Audio-Visual team.

Frank Iber, meanwhile, has agreed to take over the annual **BRA inventory**, taking some of the load off the Associate Treasurer position.

Speaking of **inventory**, in addition to the \$300,000 or so which the Broadmead Residents Association has socked away in various money fund accounts, the annual tally of BRA equipment, recently completed by **Associate Treasurer Marjorie Espenschade**, shows that the BRA has tangible property worth \$215,512. Included in this figure are such large items as the piano in the lounge, the computers and printers in the "cave" and the computer lab, the copy machine, audio-visual equipment, extensive machinery in the Wood Shop, library books and Sew & So's sewing

machines. These capital assets are reported annually to Broadmead Inc. which includes them in its insurance policy.

Ethel Landis has been appointed by the BRA Executive Committee to serve in a new position entitled Activities Coordinator. Among Ethel's responsibilities will be advising the many and various Residents Association Committees on how to handle arrangements with the BRA treasurer and audio-visual committee, and how to handle publicity. (*And, the Voice hopes, about our deadlines and how to write up or arrange for articles about their goings-on.*)

Park Espenschade will be handling the arrangements for the Men's Saturday Social Hours which begin this month. Just a short time before he died in mid-December, long-time chair **Ted Wilson** asked Park to take over and provided him with instructions on how to proceed.

Nancy Allchin and **Libby Murphy**, chairs of the **Barn Sale** clothing department, have changed the January hours for the sale of clothing. Because the first Wednesday of the month falls on New Year's Day, the first January sale will be on Wednesday, January 8, and the second, Wednesday, January 22. Future sales during a three-month trial period will be held on first and third Wednesdays. Hours are noon to 2 p.m.

It has come to the attention of *The Voice* that some residents and/or guests do not feel they should participate in **putting together puzzles** on the table in the Lounge for fear they might "mess things up" or "take away someone else's pleasure in success." Nothing could be further from the truth, we are told. All are invited to work on the puzzles. And any residents who have boxes of puzzles floating around at home are urged to bring them to the table for all to enjoy.

On a less happy note, *The Voice* has learned of two residents – and there may be a lot more – who are **allergic to perfumes**,

after-shave and other highly-fragrant sprays or ointments people use. Although these very real allergies cause breathing troubles, sneezing and headaches, persons who suffer from them hesitate to speak up for fear of offense. So we're doing it for them. **Go easy on the perfumed stuff.**

Bob Davies recently unearthed another **Barn Sale** story when he went out to buy some fancy candy. At **Glarus Chocolatier**, a store immediately north of Smyth's on York Road, which features Swiss chocolates containing no preservatives and nothing artificial, **Davies** chatted with owner Ben Hauser. Obviously familiar with Broadmead, Hauser showed Davies a copper fondue pot manufactured in Glarus, Switzerland, his father's home town. He found it, of course, at the Barn Sale.

In the unsung heroes (actually heroines) category are three residents recognized at a recent BRA meeting for making birthday corsages for Hallowell residents. Leading the corsage makers is **Louise Williams**, helped by **Joan McShane** and **Nancy Wait**. The flowers are provided by the **Bruck Fund**, administered by **Betty Shaughnessy**. The corsage makers also could use more help.

Marketing has announced that the **model apartment** has been moved from N-10 to F-11. The guest residence is now B-11.

Seven members of the **Bird and Nature group** found a treasure recently when they visited the new Baltimore County Center for Maryland Agriculture and Farm Park, which is set back from Shawan Road diagonally across from Oregon Ridge Park. The green-roofed buildings and 149-acre farm park offer programs for all ages. Once part of a 400-acre farm, the Center now houses county agencies which deal with land and soil conservation, such as the Farm Bureau, Natural Resources, Recreation and Parks and Environmental Protection. **Chris McCollum** is the Executive Director. Built as a learning center for agricultural purposes, it is also a green resource for county citizens to enjoy.

Residents are urged to come, walk the trails, and to learn about growing food and other uses of the facility.

Back with another "Bonus from Jonas" after a lengthy hiatus dealing with a broken foot, is **Jonas Rappeport** with "wise" words about not needing to re-boil tea water. Jonas says folks at *Cook's Illustrated* researched this and found that chlorine etc. disappeared after the first boil. (*Editor wonders whether anyone really re-boils tea water or whether this was a government-sponsored research project.*)

Conservation and recycling watchdog **Sally Bloomer** wants *The Voice* to send her congratulations to the many residents who recycle paper and envelopes from in-house notices. But, she says, there is a problem. On the blank side of a full-page notice, the recipient's name is usually written "right smack in the middle of the blank sheet. Same problem for the envelope." She wants people sending notices to write the name in the upper right corner of the envelope or in a corner of the blank side. That way the blank unmarked side can be used again.



Eighty residents celebrated the 90th birthday of long-time Broadmead resident Louise Hager. Music was provided by the Stardust Memories, above, who sang delightful 1940's tunes. The party was organized by Louise's daughters, Cynthia and Marjorie, to honor their mother, whose birthday was December 15th.

Kanta Bhatia Leads by Example

By Jane Michener

In Kanta Bhatia's memoir, *A Journey Alone*, she artfully describes herself as a Hindi daughter who absorbed the values and beauty of south Asian culture from her intellectual parents.

Two life goals emerged for her: first, to create library departments of South Asian Art accessible to the common person; and second, to live simply in order to send every possible dollar home to her father who developed experimental public high and middle schools.

It was not for this, however, that the Multicultural Committee invited Dr. Bhatia to speak

at Broadmead. True to the committee's goal they asked, "How were you treated in the United States as a single Hindi woman?"



In one incident Kanta was flying out of the Atlanta airport. She entered the waiting area where the whites sat on one side and the blacks

sat on the other side. Where did she belong as a light skinned woman? Not wishing to offend anyone she upended her suitcase and sat between the two groups

Bhatia was a consultant to the United States Library of Congress and established award-winning departments of South Asian culture in universities around the world. Every item was properly catalogued and the librarians were trained in displaying their collections and making them available to poor and illiterate people.

During Bhatia's 33-year tenure at the University of Pennsylvania, she established worldwide norms for advancing the study and appreciation of South Asian values and culture.

Though she has talked with dignitaries throughout the world and spoken before thousands as the world authority on South Asian culture, she looked to Broadmead's volunteers on where to stand for her presentation, how to use our microphone, how long to talk and when to take questions, all examples of her adapting to new situations without giving offense.

Enjoying the Brandywine Trip



Historic Chadds Ford, PA, just two hours from Broadmead, hosted a bus load of residents traveling under the guidance of Helen Davis and Betsy Walser. The town's main attraction, the N.C. Wyeth Gallery and Heritage Collection, displayed not only the works of N.C., Andrew and Jamie Wyeth, but also a zero gauge railroad, the Ann Wyeth McCoy doll collection with model doll house and hand-crafted furniture, and a life-sized recreation of the Wyeth family at Christmas. Over lunch residents viewed the Brandywine River from museum windows. Enjoying the event here are Gwen Marable and Sonia Blumenthal.
By Sally Bloomer

Men's Saturday Social Hour

9:30 a.m. Lounge/Auditorium

January 11	Erroll Hay
January 25	Bob Daly

Coffee - Tea - Doughnuts
Wear your name tags

Distribution of Lawyers and High Fees Deny Many Representation

By Jonas Rappeport.

It's not that we have too many lawyers. It's that the distribution is all messed up.

Those in poverty and those in most rural and urban areas are underserved, said Phoebe Haddon, in a talk entitled "Lawyer Glut or Mismatch" at a recent Open Forum here. Haddon is a professor and dean of the Francis Carey School of Law at the University of Maryland.

Where there are lawyers, individuals frequently cannot afford the high hourly fees charged by most law firms. Consequently, in 68 percent of Maryland domestic matters, one of the parties is not represented by counsel, and in 40 percent, neither party is represented, Haddon said.

While almost a quarter of Maryland's population is eligible for Legal Aid, budget restrictions don't leave enough for everyone. In 2009, half of those who appealed federal court decisions had no legal representation. They go *pro se*. They represent themselves, she said.

Haddon believes many issues could be resolved with simple advice from a lawyer without requiring full representation. Many law schools, including Maryland, have an "advice clinic" where those who can't afford counsel can be educated on how they can deal with uncomplicated legal issues and where law students may obtain excellent experience. Many other countries use paralegals to give such advice but in the United States it is against the law to give legal advice unless you have gone to law school, hold a J.D. degree and passed the bar exam.



The practice of law is a self-regulated profession making it very difficult to change things, she said. The recent financial crisis has, however, resulted in the break-up of some large law firms and the merger of others. Many of the remaining firms are not hiring new graduates, she said.

The big firms believed that as the economy improved their business would pick up but that hasn't happened. Large corporations are no longer willing to pay huge per-hour charges. They are demanding flat rates for specific services, have hired their own in-house lawyers or have out-sourced overseas to other common-law countries. Many have also hired those with an M.B.A. to be "compliance officers" to prevent the company from getting into trouble with the law. The University of Maryland Law School is currently considering establishing a "Master of Laws" program to train this type of legal advisor, Haddon said.

"Many young college graduates wonder if going to law school and developing a large debt is worth it. Consequently there has been a 30 per cent drop in applications for admission to law schools around the country", said the dean.

Unfortunately this means that there will be fewer lawyers to serve the public resulting in no legal services for the indigent, low income and middle class.

"There is a mismatch. Half of all the households in the United States have problems which are legal or will become legal. Where are they going to get legal advice?" she asked.

New Resident

Marta Kaplan.....Q-9

♪ **“Christmas Tree, Oh Christmas Tree...”**

Photos by Erroll Hay

Broadmead burst forth with holiday spirit in early December, as resident and staff elves worked diligently to put up Christmas trees, swags, wreaths and other seasonal decorations in every appropriate space in the Center and in Holly House. Pictured here, thanks to Erroll Hay and his camera, are just a few of the trees as space does not permit a full catalog.

Joyce Gilley chaired the decorations committee this year. A total of 41 residents plus staff served as hard working elves: Bill Benson, Gayle Blakeslee, Nancy Boyce, Lolly Burton, Harry Butcher, Sue Carnell, Jim Crowder, Suzanne Crowder, Anne Daly, Bob Daly, Alaine Dasheiff, Betty Douglas, Lee Dulany, Lee Fleishman, Bob Forster, Elborg Forster, Joyce Gilley, Richard Gilley, Dorothy Gustafson, Betty Iber, Frank Iber, Lynn Jones, Ross Jones, Dosia Laeyendecker, Carol McCord, Carolyn Murphy, Rhett Murphy, Charlotte Parker, Dottie Pearre, Florence Platt, John Robbins, Sally Robinson, Bobbie Siebens, Alma Smith, Natalie Starr, Joan Tapley, Marge Tuttle, Betsy Walser, Nancy Warner, Sally Weinman, Ted Wilson.

Also the entire Maintenance staff, Anne Foy, Linette Kanitz and Adrian Hojnowski.



Lower level entrance



Center's main stairway



From left: wreaths on deck outside Arbor Cafe; Father Christmas outside lounge; modern wooden manger scene loaned by Charlotte Hurtt.



Out-Patient waiting area



Upper entrance to Center and Stony Run

Cluster C Hosts "Skyped" Israeli Bar Mitzvah - with Dog

By Sibylle Ehrlich

An Israeli Bar Mitzvah in Cluster C? How is that possible?

And Cadi, the dog, participated?

It all started 13 years ago when resident Caroline Goldsmith's daughter Heidi adopted Daniel in Vietnam. Daniel grew up with Heidi in Washington, DC, until three years ago when they moved to Israel. You may have seen Daniel here at Broadmead, when they visited Caroline over Thanksgiving – a tall, handsome, athletic boy on his new skateboard.

So that Caroline could witness her grandson's Bar Mitzvah, daughter Joy set up her laptop in my apartment in C Cluster and arranged to "skype" the ceremony.

Sitting comfortably on my sofa, Caroline, Joy and I, with dog Cadi nestled between us, watched the very moving ceremony in Israel. Daniel's prayer shawl was the one his grandfather, Caroline's husband, had used for *his* Bar Mitzvah in Prague where the family had fled to escape Nazi Germany. Daniel read from the Torah and spoke with great confidence.

The three of us whispered some comments from time to time, so as not to

be heard via the two-way skype. Cadi, however, must have heard one of her canine friends outside, because she suddenly jumped up and barked loudly. Thanks to modern technology that bark was heard in the synagogue in northern Israel and caused laughter 6,000 miles away.

That is how we were able to participate in the ancient ritual of a boy, born in the Far East, brought up in the United States and coming of age in Israel.

Celebrating and Remembering

Martin Luther King, Jr.

Monday, January 20

7 p.m. Auditorium and Lounge

Remarks

Dorothy Bascom and John Howl

Douglas Singers

Director: Spencer Hammond

Soloists: Randy Sellers, Gretchen Starks,
Devan Mercer, Marla McKinney

Pianist: Audrey McCollum

Special dinner beforehand, regular hours
Arrangements by Bernard Queen

Sponsored by Multicultural Committee

Food Topic of Winter Series

By Jackie Mintz

Adventures in Learning lectures for Winter 2014 will be on the vast topic of food, ranging from aspects of human food behavior to food security, industrialized food production and food systems and education.

The first talk, Wednesday January 29, by resident Sidney Mintz, a Johns Hopkins University emeritus professor, will reflect on the myriad ways in which food figures in our behavior, from famine and nutrition to literature and ritual. Included will be our opinions of what is fit for consumption and the all-important human achievements of fire mastery and domestication.

The second talk, Wednesday, February 5, by Professor Robert Lawrence of the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health, will cover food security, water scarcity, the right to health and how these influence government obligations under international law to respect, protect, and fulfill the right to health.

The third lecture Wednesday, February 12, by Professor Ellen Silbergeld, also of the Bloomberg School, will look at the transformation of poultry production in United States. Started in Maryland, industrialized production, while lowering cost, imposes a high price for worker safety, food safety and environmental quality.

The final talk, by Anne Palmer of the Bloomberg Center for Sustainable Future on Wednesday, February 19, will review how changes in climate and diet-related diseases are changing our views on the role of government in the food system. She will discuss current food programs and food policy changes at federal, state and local levels.

Lectures are at 10:30 a.m. in the Auditorium.

Concert Series

Sunday, January 5, 2 p.m. Auditorium

The Russian Trio

Katherine Harris Rick, piano; Nikita Borisevich, violin; Dmitry Vokov, cello

Listen in advance on Residents Association website at

<http://www.broadmeadra.org/chamber-music-2013-14/friedheim-piano-quartet--.html>



Trying to prevent more trees from falling onto Copper Beech Road, Broadmead hired Ryan Tree Care to take down several of the dead and very tall trees plus clear out some of the dangerous underbrush. Here a Ryan worker scaled one of the trees, so it could be sawed in segments. Photo by Marcia Reinke

Williams and Wilson Place First in Round Robin Three

Partners Louise Williams and Jean Wilson were the winners of the Round Robin Three bridge tournament this year.

First through sixth place winners were announced at a gala luncheon in the Magnolia Room.

Placing second were Florence Platt and Helen Davis; third: Mary Jane Kiefaber and Tippi Sieck.

Placing fourth were Anne Allen Dandy and Ruth Heald; fifth, Ginny Cooley and Barbara Smith; and sixth, Pam Langham and Bette Hollyday.

Finches and “Aviary” Removed Outdoor Alternative Proposed



By Marcia Reinke and Bernie Anderson

The Hallowell finches are gone. And an outdoor-bird alternative is being explored.

The little birds, which used to entertain residents in comprehensive care, were removed early Monday, November 25, along with their aviary, or "cage" with its perches, branches and little nests, and returned to Robin's Nest Aviaries which had provided the birds, their home, their food and a weekly cleaning of their glass cage.

The outdoor alternative is proposed for the "green" roof over the Holly Terrace which can be viewed from the Hallowell lunch room and activity area. A landscape architecture firm, DMW (Daft, McCune and Walker), has been invited to design a rooftop garden with shrubs and feeders to attract native birds. According to Associate CEO Tom Mondloch, the design is currently under review.

The removal followed a decade-long effort by resident Nydia Finch who deplored what she considered cruel conditions forced on the birds, by confining them in a 5x5x3 area which she said was "no aviary but a box". As reported in the September *Voice*, she said they were not getting the right kind of food and the cage was not cleaned often enough.

Last spring for the second time in 10 years, she reported her complaints to PETA (People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals), which this time not only resulted in some action by the local chapter, but also a story in the *Baltimore Sun* headlined "Let Birds Spread Their Wings, PETA Urges Retirement Home in Cockeysville" plus a follow-up Letter to the Editor entitled "Birds Don't Belong in Cages."

According to correspondence from PETA, on whether the finches were cared for

according to their *Eden Alternative*

guidelines, the now-removed box violated their "spirit and standards" because it did not create "a meaningful existence" for its six-to-eight birds. Maintaining that a meaningful existence would include interaction with their viewers, and an integration into the lives of the elders and people who cared for them, PETA said "elders" here "neither cared for nor interacted with the finches...and that few even showed interest in the bird box." The bird box is essentially an "ornament", it said.

PETA also found that the box was too small, did not provide sufficient air circulation, had an unsuitable substance on the floor, had few toys such as "bells, swings, mirrors and chewable hardwoods". The report continued that the finches did not receive the daily care, diet and food supplements recommended by the guidelines, and that provisions for rescue in the event of an emergency were insufficient.

Robin's Nest Aviaries, maintains some 50 similar aviaries in retirement homes and other facilities in the Baltimore area. At Broadmead the birds and the Robin's Nest Services were financed by the Bruck Fund which is used to enhance and improve the lives of residents on the health-care floors.

Following Nydia's complaints, many residents defended the aviary, saying health care residents did indeed enjoy the birds and that they were cared for well. The Residents Association Bird and Nature Committee was divided on whether the birds should go.

Because the rooftop design of shrubs and feeders proposed by DMW would require additional soil on the roof, it will be

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necessary to determine the structural strength of the roof to support the design. Other issues include access to the roof for maintenance. Currently the only access is via a window in the lunch room. DMW has provided several pictures of other green roofs to give a visual representation of possibilities here at Broadmead.

According to an announcement at the December Fireside Chat, Wildbird Feeders of Lutherville has already provided "wonderful feeders" outside the activity rooms and they will also deliver bird food to residents at no cost.

Asked to comment about the proposal, Mary Frances Wagley, chair of the Residents Health Care Committee and the Bruck Fund, said to her knowledge no member of the Bruck Fund committee had been apprised of the birds' removal, the green roof alternative or had been asked about its financing.

She also expressed reservations about the proposal. "I don't think any intelligent Cockeysville bird will be attracted to exposed feeders on the green roof," she said, adding that birds do not feel safe unless there are nearby trees to which they may escape from a hawk or other predator. She doubted a green roof would support such trees.

Adventures in Learning

Wednesdays 10:30 a.m. Auditorium

January 29 – Sidney Mintz, "Food for Thought and Thinking About Food"

February 5 – Robert Lawrence, "Food Security, Water Scarcity, the Right to Health"

February 12 – Ellen Silbergeld, "From Farm to Fork: Food Safety and the Workplace"

February 19 – Anne Palmer, "Local and Regional Food System Initiatives:



Staff Santas sponsored 25 kids this year, with seven or eight gifts per child, shown here gaily wrapped for distribution. Human Resources Coordinator Kyle Conrad, chaired the collection. Shown here with Kyle, from upper left, are Betty Simpson, Valerie Warner, Keri Omopariola, Jolanda LaVarre, Beth Connors, Carole Belz and Charlie Harvey. In the bottom row are, Julie Heffner, Katie Smith, Gloria Martin and Linda Goodwin.

Open Forum

7 p.m. Auditorium

Thursday, January 9

The Eurozone Crisis and Its Overall Impact on the European Union

Christianna Leahy

Professor of Political Science

McDaniel College

(In cooperation with Great Decisions program)

Thursday, January 16

Trends in Educational Policy

Maravene Loeschke

President, Towson University

Friday, January 31

Islamists in the Crosshairs

Dr. Anouar Boukhars

Professor of Political Science

McDaniel College

(In cooperation with Great Decisions program)

Holly House Hostesses



Head of Hospitality June Gee, right, and wine server Mary Ruth Sidwell were greeters at the Residents Association Annual Holiday party in Holly House.

Photos by Carolyn Murphy.

The Broadmead Play Readers

will present

Old Saybrook

by Woody Allen

Produced by Betsy Walser

Wednesday, January 8

7 p.m. Auditorium

Cast

Homeowners:

Sheila

Norman

Former Owners:

Hal Maxwell

Sandy

Jenny (Sheila's sister)

David (Jenny's husband)

Max Krolean (a writer)

Alma Smith

Branch Warfield

John Dowling

Sita Smith

Shirley Christie

Howard Garber

Harry Butcher

CCRC Members Hold Mid-Year MaCCRA Meeting

By Elborg Forster

The message was loud and clear: MaCCRA (Maryland Continuing Care Residents Association) is necessary for the protection of our interests.

Chaired by Broadmead's Jonas Rapoport with the assistance of Alma Smith, the meeting, held at Vantage House in Columbia, brought together representatives from about a dozen Maryland's Continuing Care Retirement Communities (CCRCs). They heard various committee reports, which led to lively discussion, and appreciated learning about the latest developments in the State Legislature from Barbara Brocato, the group's well-informed and energetic lobbyist in Annapolis.

The high point of the day was a lecture by Katherine Pearson, Professor of Law at the Dickinson School of Law of Pennsylvania State University, who specializes in legal issues concerning CCRCs. She assured the audience that Maryland's CCRCs are well monitored by the Department of Aging, which keeps in close contact with MaCCRA. This is not the case everywhere, and Pearson related some hair-raising instances of neglect or abuse that residents could have avoided if they had asked the pertinent questions.

She urged MaCCRA to make every effort to increase its membership, as there is "strength in numbers."

Ceramics Class Needs Helpers

The BRA ceramics class is beginning its annual productions for "Empty Bowls", our project in support of hunger in Baltimore.

The class meets each Thursday from 1-3 p.m. in the ceramics room.

Anyone who wishes to make, design, paint, glaze or decorate a bowl is invited.

Let's Dance

The next Monday night dance will be on February 10.

Let's Sing

Wednesday, January 22, 7 p.m.

Religion at Broadmead

Friends Meeting for Worship

Sundays at 11 a.m.
Stony Run Board Room

Vespers

3rd Sunday every month
4:30 p.m. Lounge
January 19

Amy Schmaljohn
Gunpowder Friends Meeting
Friends School of Baltimore

Bible Study

Tuesdays at 10 a.m.
Fireplace Room
(sponsored by Brown Memorial
Woodbrook Presbyterian Church)

Episcopal Communion

1st Wednesday every month
10:30 a.m. Holly Terrace
(sponsored by area Episcopal Churches)

Catholic Mass

2nd Wednesday every month
10 a.m. Holly Terrace
(sponsored by St. Francis Xavier Church)

The Gathering

Faith Related Topics
3rd Wednesday every month
10:30 a.m. Auditorium
(sponsored by the Episcopal Church
of the Redeemer and Brown Memorial
Park Avenue Presbyterian Church)



There's a new male look in the Country Store as both Rhett Murphy and Paul Ventura sign up to volunteer. A trend?
Photo from Carolyn Murphy's iPad.

Taylor Residents Watch Robinson Turn Bowls

By Marty Nichols, Lifestyle Coordinator

Because it's intriguing to see an artisan at work, 10 assisted-living residents watched Courtland Robinson turn bowls in the Broadmead Wood Shop recently.

Earlier in the year, in connection with Taylor's Lifetime Learning program, Courtland brought tools, pictures and samples for the residents to examine as he talked about making items with a lathe. A highlight was the unwrapping of a chunk of wood that had been soaked in water, wrapped in heavy paper and left to age for over a year. Building suspense, Courtland indicated that the block would be "properly aged" or would be "cracked and ready for the trash can." There was great anticipation and relief when the chunk of wood was found to be ready for crafting into a bowl.

In order to actually watch Courtland work, residents put on eye-protection goggles and in small groups spent an hour in dust and wood shavings to see a small bowl actually created: Participating were Bettie Byerly, Marjorie Gold, Fan Whitman, Ruth Bronstein, Rose Hijikata, Bea Post, Priscilla Stieff, Eleanor Casey, Tot Lyon and Margaret Proctor.

Examples of Courtland's finished products are on display in the Woodshop and for sale in the Broadmead Country Store.

Moving Around Broadmead

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Broadmead Movies

Auditorium at 7 p.m.

Tuesday movies selected Sally Bloomer and Marjorie Appleby. Saturday movies by Jeanne Stephenson

Saturday, January 4 The Inspector Calls (Allistair Sim, Jane Wendham)

This is set in the Midlands of England, in the home of a rich industrialist. The film is about his treatment of his employees.

1954 NR 78 minutes

Tuesday, January 7 Chinatown (Jack Nicholson, Faye Dunaway, John Huston)

With a suspicious femme fatale bankrolling his snooping, private eye J.J. Gittes uncovers intricate dirty dealings in the Los Angeles waterworks and gets his nose slashed for his trouble in director Roman Polanski's complex neo-noir classic.

1974 R 130 minutes

Saturday, January 11 The Young Victoria

(Emily Blunt, Rupert Friend)

Resolved to establish her authority over those who rule in her stead, a young and inexperienced Queen draws strength from the love of Albert, the handsome prince who has stolen her heart.

2003 PG 105 minutes

Tuesday, January 14 Copying Beethoven

(Vienna, 1824) In the days before the first performance of the Ninth Symphony, Beethoven needs help with copying out charts, so a promising student of composition, Anna Holtz, 23, is sent to assist him. During the next two years, the final ones of his life, she provides assistance to the deaf and temperamental ailing man.

2006 NR 109 Minutes

Saturday, January 18 The Gay Divorcee (Fred Astaire, Ginger Rogers)

This is a delightful escapade about marriage, divorce and all the romantic complications in between. If Astaire and Rogers had never danced a lick after "Night and Day" they would have been screen immortals.

1934 NR 105 minutes

Tuesday, January 21 A Night at the Opera (Groucho Marx, Chico Marx, Harpo Marx)

The Marx Brothers wreak havoc in the opera house in one of their biggest hits. This film contains one of the greatest Marx Brothers comedy bits ever: the crowded stateroom scene. Written by George Kaufman, Kitty Carlisle and Allen Jones are charming as the singing comedy leads.

1935 NR 92 minutes

Saturday, January 25 An Affair to Remember

(Cary Grant, Deborah Kerr)

Good looking Nicky Ferrante and breathtaking former nightclub singer Terry McKay meet on an ocean liner and fall in love. Although each is engaged to someone else, they agree to meet six months later at the top of the Empire State building. But a tragic accident prevents their rendezvous and the lovers' future takes an uncertain turn.

1957 NR 114 minutes

Tuesday, January 28 The Butler (Forest Whitaker, Oprah Winfrey, Jane Fonda)

Oscar winner Forest Whitaker delivers a powerful performance as Cecil Gaines, who served as the White House butler under eight presidents. His three decades of service unfold against a backdrop of unparalleled change in American history.

2013 PG-13 132 minutes

Camera Club Meeting

Monday, January 20
10:30 a.m. Fireplace Room

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This picture ought to have the caption "Eat Your Heart Out Beatrix Potter," said photographer Nancy Boyce. On exhibit before Christmas, outside the Arbor Cafe, the teddy bear and rabbit chairs were made by John Robbins 20 years ago for two granddaughters, and this year, great granddaughter, Evelyn Lee Forbes, (also the great granddaughter of resident Bobbie Forbes) found the cat chair under her tree.